

City of Gresham
Natural Resources and Sustainability Council Advisory Committee ("NRSC")
Wednesday, March 19, 2014
Gresham City Hall
Meeting Summary

Members:	<u>Present</u>	<u>Unable to Attend</u>
	Dan Blue	Chair Shannon Martin
	Chris Bentley	Kurt Fuerstenau
	Joe Blubaum	Jason Howard
	Jef Kaiser	Trevor Kitchen
	Teresa Koper	Councilor McCormick
	Tracy Thorson	

Guests: Kathie Minden, People for Parks

Vice Chair Kaiser called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The minutes of the February 19, 2013 NRSC meeting were reviewed and approved.

1. Announcements

Mr. Blue announced that the City's 2014 Earth Day event is scheduled for April 19, and distributed information about volunteering at the event. He also distributed information regarding rain garden incentives.

Mr. Kaiser reminded members to check the newest version of the roster to ensure that their contact information is correct.

Mr. Kaiser briefed the Committee on the CCAC leadership assembly that he attended in February, noting particularly that the City Attorney made clear that City Committees are prohibited from advocating for or against the upcoming levy in their capacity as City volunteers. He further noted that he discussed having the NRSC provide input on the Division-Powell Corridor Study.

Ms. Minden updated the committee on People for Parks' advocacy for parks and recreation funding.

2. Sustainability Report Draft – Chris Bentley

Mr. Bentley presented his draft of a "dashboard" Natural Resources Report.

Suggestions from Committee members included:

- Show the number of people who both live and work in Gresham
- Define terms such as "household" and "family"
- Add geographic data to show population density
- Include residential solar projects
- Contact GREAT Businesses staff for data
- Add parks and green space information
- Include data from Metro for a fuller picture of solid waste recovery

3. Mission Statement – Chris Bentley

Mr. Bentley presented his draft of a mission statement for the NRSC. The difference between a mission statement and a vision statement was discussed, and a number of changes to the wording were suggested.

4. Sustainability Workshop Concept (West Linn Model) – Vice Chair Kaiser

Mr. Kaiser reminded Committee members about an upcoming workshop event, about which Chair Martin had previously distributed information.

5. Subcommittee Updates

Mr. Kaiser reported on his ongoing communication with City staff regarding stream health and watershed resources.

Vice Chair Kaiser adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:10pm.

NOTE: This meeting was recorded in its entirety. Contact Dan Blue to obtain a digital recording.